SHIMOGA DISTRICT.

Notification dated 17th September 1912.

The attention of the public is invited to the detailed notification of 15th September 1912, of this district, published on page 1421 of Part II of the *Mysore Gazette* of the 19th September 1912, regarding the sale of standing timber in coupes of certain State Forests of the Shimoga District by tenders, which will be received by the District Forest Officer, Shimoga, up to 4th October 1912.

Notification dated 16th September 1912.

Sealed tenders at so much per ton will be received at the office of the District Forest Officer, Shimoga, up to 4th October 1912, (1) for the right of felling and removal of standing fuel trees in coupes V and VI of the Purdhal State Forest and (2) for the right of removal of fuel from the lops and ends of trees felled in previous years and of dead and fallen trees in Shankar and Purdhal State Forests, during the year ending 30th June 1913. Each tender must be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 100 in full currency notes as earnest money. Tenders unaccompanied by the said deposit will receive no consideration.

2. Covers containing the tenders should be addressed to the District Forest Officer, Shimoga, and should be insured and superscribed on the cover "Tender for the right of felling and removal of fuel." The tenders will be opened by the District Forest Officer in presence of such of the tenderers, as may choose to be present at the time. They will be submitted to the Conservator of Forests who reserves to himself the power of accepting or

rejecting any tender without assigning any reason therefor.

3. The acceptance of any tender will be communicated to the successful tenderer immediately after the Conservator's approval, and the earnest money of the tenderers will

be duly returned to them at once.

4. The successful tenderer shall execute an agreement binding himself to observe the conditions noted below within one week from the date of acceptance of the bid is intimated to him; in default, the order of acceptance will be cancelled and the deposit amount forfeited to Government.

Conditions.

(a) The felling shall be undertaken from one side in a methodical manner.

(b) The trees will be felled almost flush with the ground leaving stump not more than

six inches high.

- (c) The fuel will be assorted and stacked in the coupe or in the place approved by the District Forest Officer. The stacks should be rectangular in shape and built of such dimensions that the cubic contents thereof are 68 cubic feet or its multiple; 68 cubic feet being considered as equivalent to one ton.
- (d) The contractor is bound to remove at the accepted rates all fuel pieces over 1½" in thickness and smaller sized fuel will also be sold to him if required at 8 annas a cart-load or retained by the Department for local consumption. The following kinds of trees shall ordinarily be felled:—
 Bikke, Chiltu, Chujjalu, Gorvi, Heddarnai, Iji, Thadasal, Jagalganti, Mitli, Kare, Dindiga, Oobal, Tare, Godda and Bende.

(1) No young trees, trees of reserved kinds or fruit trees or trees bearing minor

produce shall be cut or lopped or otherwise injured in felling fuel.

- (2) From the time the measurement has been taken till the stacks so measured and paid for are thoroughly removed, no felling billetting or stacking will be permitted.
- (e) Payments must be made for all wood before removal at the accepted rates and all wood will be covered by pass-ports issued by the Range Officer before its removal from the said coupe.

(f) No fuel shall be carted out between sunset and sunrise.

(g) All felling and carting shall be completed before the end of May 1913.

(h) Under no circumstances should fire be lit in the forest.

(i) The failure of any of these conditions on the part of the contractor or his men will lead to the forfeiture of the earnest money and cancelment of the contract, under Section 84 of the Forest Regulation, XI of 1900, and all wood paid for but unremoved will lapse to Government.

M. G. RAMA RAO, District Forest Officer.

CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

Dated 3rd September 1912.

The attention of the public is invited to sale notice dated the 3rd September 1912, regarding the contract for lac cultivation in the Hosdurga Taluk, during the years 1912-15, published at pages 1386, 1387, Part II of the Mysore Gazette dated 12th September 1912.

M. Machaya, District Forest Officer.